

Washington State Elections Weekly

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April Special Election

If you haven't done so already, please email [WEIsupport](#) and let us know the following:

- Whether you are having an April Special Election
- How many districts are involved and the types and total number of measures
- How many registered voters will be in the election

You can review the checklist for Special Elections [here](#).

If you are using MyBallot, be sure to check an example of each ballot style to ensure there are no formatting issues (like measures running off the end of the page).

Final WACs

New WACs proposed in November will become effective March 29. The final rules and a useful summary are located on our [Recent Rulemaking](#) web page. As always, we appreciate your input for developing WACs and in particular, the following county members of the WAC Committee: Carolyn Weikel, Christine Rudolph, David O'Brien, Diana Killian, Donna Eldridge, Garth Fell, Janice Case, Julie Wise, Karen Cartmel, Marty Whitehall, Mary Hall, Mike Rooney, Nissa Burger, Rene' LeBeau, Sandy McConnell, Skip Moore, Thad Duvall, Tillie Naputi-Pullar, Wendy Mauch, and Stephanie Wilder.

New Voter Intent Manual

The Voter Intent Committee is comprised of the Attorney General's Office, the Secretary of State's Office, and ten County Auditors and Election Supervisors. The committee's recommendations have been incorporated into the recently finalized WACs. Please see [WAC 434-261-086](#) for many important changes. C&T is excited to collaborate again with Jenny Greeve, former Design for Democracy fellow, to update the 2009 version. This year's June Election Conference includes training and new printed manuals for each county.

But, wait... aren't the WACs in effect for April?

Yes! The new WAC clarifies that a mark made outside the target area on a single-issue ballot is not required to form a pattern. ([WAC 434-261-086\(b\)\(v\)](#)) We'll connect with counties holding a special election to answer any questions they may have about how the new rules pertain to their ballots.

State Contact Information

If you have questions for a specific group or need to contact us for any reason, use these email addresses and phone numbers –

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Certification and Training

ctsupport@sos.wa.gov or Sheryl Moss at (360) 902-4146

Voter Outreach

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Voters' Pamphlet

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